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Lino Lakes man pleads guilty to carjacking, firearms charges

A 24-year-old Lino Lakes man who traded gunfire with police in Hudson, Wisc., led officers on a high-speed chase into Minnesota, and shot a Lakeland man on Aug. 24, 2007, pleaded guilty today to carjacking and firearms charges.

Daine Joseph Adam Linderman entered his plea May 21 in Minneapolis before United States District Court Judge Michael Davis. Linderman was indicted Oct. 10, 2007, and pleaded guilty to one count of attempted carjacking, one count of use of firearms in relation to a crime of violence and one count of being a felon in possession of firearms.

According to Linderman's plea agreement, on Aug. 24 Hudson Police attempted to arrest him on unrelated charges, so Linderman fled in an automobile. Police chased Linderman across the Interstate-94 bridge into Minnesota, and Linderman eventually crashed and fled on foot.

He entered a Lakeland residence and ordered a Lakeland couple at gun point to show him to their car. When they got to the garage, the man wrestled Linderman's rifle from him and pinned Linderman to the ground. During the struggle, the man was shot in his lower extremities when a handgun that was on Linderman's person discharged. Police arrived and arrested Linderman.

Linderman's indictment alleges that he possessed a .45-caliber semi-automatic handgun and a .22-caliber assault rifle. Linderman previously had been convicted of at least one crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year.

He also agreed that he knowingly and intentionally intended to take the Lakeland man's vehicle from him by force, violence and intimidation, and was prepared to use serious bodily harm to take it.

Linderman faces a potential maximum sentence of 25 years in prison on the attempted carjacking count; life in prison on the using a firearm in connection to a crime of violence count; and life in prison on the firearms possession count. Judge Davis will determine Linderman's sentence at a future date.

This case is the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Washington County Sheriff's Department, the Hudson (Wisconsin) Police Department; the St. Croix County Sheriff's Department (Wisconsin); and the Bayport Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas M. Hollenhorst.